

TWELVE JURORS SECURED TO TRY THE PANAMA LIBEL SUIT

SHERIDAN IS GIVEN TEN YEARS FOR MURDER

(Special to the Bonanza.)
GOLDFIELD, Jan. 24.—Contrary to all judicial principles, and acting in direct opposition to the recommendations of the jury, Judge P. J. Somers today sentenced Jack Sheridan to serve ten years in the state penitentiary for killing his wife a year ago. The jury, which found Sheridan guilty of manslaughter, asked that the court be lenient in the sentence, but instead Judge Somers stated that he had no use for such a jury, and gave Sheridan the maximum punishment. The act of the court has aroused no little indignation here.

The case of George Gibson, who on the night of September 21, 1909, shot and killed Richard Maunsell, a young mining engineer, will start tomorrow morning. Gibson at the time of the killing was a deputy constable under Claude Inman. This will make his third trial, the first having resulted in a disagreement, the second jury finding him guilty of manslaughter, which resulted in a three year sentence. After an appeal the case was sent back for a new trial by the supreme court on a technicality. Gibson was to have been defended by D. S. Truman, but this attorney failed to put in an appearance. Yesterday the court appointed Chester Lyman, of the Consolidated legal staff, to look after the interests of the defendant.

WOMAN KILLS LOVER WHEN SHE IS ANGERED

By Associated Press
SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 24.—When the door of the hotel apartment of Charles O. Tucker, the proprietor of a furniture store was forced open today after a suspicion that something wrong had developed, the plain story of murder and suicide was found in the position of two dead bodies lying in the room. Tucker was dead on the floor with a bullet wound in his heart. Miss Elvira M. Bunkleman, with whom Tucker spent most of his time during the last two years, was lying dead beside him with a bullet hole in her temple. Investigation developed that the tragedy occurred Friday night. The police theory is that the woman went to the room to demand money and that in anger at Tucker's refusal, killed him and then suicided.

FOUR BODIES RECOVERED FROM RIVER BOTTOM

By Associated Press
SUDBURY, Jan. 24.—The recovery of four bodies and the identification of two women is the result of today's work on the scene of Friday's wreck on the Spanish river. Statements from railroad officials early in the day placed the list of known dead at 31 but to night the figures have increased to 37.

NYE AND ORMSBY RECEIVER GETS COURT RULINGS

Attorney Van Dyke, acting for Receiver T. G. Lockhart of the Nye & Ormsby bank, is letting no grass grow under his feet and is trying to bring things to a climax. Yesterday he appeared in court and asked for permission for the receiver to sell certain properties of the bank and also to bring suit to set aside a certain deed made in Tonopah transferring of bank property. Both orders were granted. Carson News.

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Case Instigated by Roosevelt Against New York Publishing Company is Ready for Trial.

By Associated Press
NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Twelve jurors who declared they were free from bias were secured at the end of today's proceedings in the Panama libel suit brought against the Press Publishing company, the publishers of the New York World, by the United States government in the United States circuit court. Tomorrow they will be sworn, unless they are rejected by peremptory challenge. At the opening of the court today counsel for the defense characterized the suit as unprecedented in the history of the United States. It was instigated by Roosevelt in his presidency, and it is charged that Taft, Douglas Robinson, a brother-in-law of Roosevelt, Charles P. Taft, brother of the president, William Nelson Cromwell and Roosevelt were criminally libeled in connection with the publications in the fall of 1908, relating to the franchises of machinery and other rights of the French Panama canal company.

Attorney Nicoll said he should interpose two defenses. "One that it is altogether outside any legal question whether this is libel or not and we shall plead justification, and secondly, an excusable libel." He said: "On the second ground we propose to show a set of facts and circumstances leading to the belief when we printed the articles we believed them to be true."

"The indictment against the Press Publishing company contains fourteen counts charging seven with specific offenses committed simultaneously in two different localities in which it is alleged the World circulated. The government is expected to open its case tomorrow."

TO GIVE AWAY MILLIONS IN NEXT FEW MONTHS

By Associated Press
CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—After giving more than four millions to struggling colleges in many parts of the country Dr. D. K. Pearsons, almost 90 years of age, announced today he intends to give away every cent he possessed before he dies. Pearsons is reputed to be worth many millions.

"On my ninetieth birthday, on April 14 next, I'm going to have a squaring up with all the small colleges that I've promised money. I will serve notice now that beginning then I'm going on a new rampage of giving. I intend to die penniless and I am going to live ten years longer. In that time I expect to do nothing but give money away," he said.

THREE KILLED WHEN MOTOR CAR JUMPS CLIFF

By Associated Press
KANSAS CITY, Jan. 24.—Three persons were killed and three badly injured this afternoon when a motor car, driven and owned by John Mahoney, a contractor of Kansas City, became unmanageable on the cliff drive of Agnes avenue, and plunged forty feet over an embankment. The machine was demolished and the victims badly mutilated. It is feared that all the injured will die.

COAL SHORTAGE ALLAYED.
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.—The first full cargo of coal received here in many months arrived today and it is expected the other cargoes which are following will relieve the shortage prevailing in this city.

CHARGES THAT THE IMMIGRATION COMMISSION IS PLAYING POLITICS

Congress Cuts Off Deficiency Appropriation and Commission Threatened With Extinction.

PAULHAN MAKES SHORT FLIGHT TO PLEASE PEOPLE

By Associated Press
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.—In order to please several hundred thousand people who waited through the stormy afternoon to see him fly, Louis Paulhan took chances against the threatening weather and made a flight of ten miles across the country from Tanforan park. Earlier in the day he made several short flights but the wind was too strong to risk leaving the ground far, or for any length of time.

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—By cutting off the deficiency appropriation of \$125,000 for the national immigration commission the house today lent the support of several members, led by Representative Macon of Arkansas, who denounced the commission, and its work, and threatened it with immediate extinction. Unless the friends of the commission succeed in having the item restored to the urgent deficiency bill by the senate it will be compelled to suspend for lack of funds.

The commission was created by an act of congress of February 20, 1907, and has brought forth a number of interesting reports dealing with the conditions of immigrant ships, and the lives of aliens after their arrival in this country. Senator Dillingham is the chairman of the commission and the other members are Senator Lodge, Representatives Howell, Bennett and Burkett, Professor Jenks of Cornell university and William Wheeler of San Francisco.

Macon made a point of order against the appropriation on the ground that it was not a deficiency. Then came the general assault against the commission. Macon charged the commission had gone junketing on an expedition abroad, had spent \$657,993 and accomplished practically nothing. He said Jenks devoted the first part of each week to duties at the Cornell institution, which he characterized as "playing politics all the time." He said Wheeler was also secretary of the Merchants' Shipping association of San Francisco, drawing \$10,000 a year and \$7,500 from the commission and regarded the latter office as a political sinecure.

By Associated Press
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FIRST AIRSHIP TO CROSS BORDER INTO MEXICO

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OLDEST MASONIC SECRETARY IN THE ENTIRE WORLD

OGDEN, Jan. 25.—At the close of the thirty-ninth annual session of the Utah grand lodge of Masons, held at the Masonic temple here, officers were elected for the coming year, among whom is Christopher B. Diehl of Salt Lake, who is entering his thirty-ninth year as secretary and who is the oldest secretary in point of service in the world.

TEN TONS OF OPIUM BURNED.
VICTORIA, B. C. Jan. 24.—Ten tons of opium were destroyed by fire in the presence of a large throng in the recent anti-opium crusade in Unan Fu, according to news received by the Empress of Japan.

PARIS STREETS ARE FLOODING RIVER

By Associated Press
PARIS, Jan. 25.—(Wednesday) —At 2 o'clock this morning the water which is rushing through the tunnel under the Quai Du Arsay station, burst through the roadway and flooded the streets, including the aristocratic section. The sidewalks threaten to cave in. The occupants of the houses in the vicinity were awakened and hurried to places of safety. The conditions indicate a further rise of several inches in the river Seine, as a cold rain continues which is causing intense suffering among the thousands of homeless. There is but little prospect of relief. Paris is threatened with an immediate and complete tiemp. The stoppage of the transports has raised the prices of food which is becoming scarce. The water supply in several localities is crippled. A part of the Rue St. Lazare threatens to cave in and the whole street has been closed. Two thousand persons are homeless at Alfortville where the water is twelve feet deep. All the factories above and below Paris are closed and thousands of persons are out of employment.

AMERICAN BANK IN MEXICO CITY UNDERGOES RUN

By Associated Press
MEXICO CITY, Jan. 24.—A run on the United States Banking company of this city started before close today. Twenty accounts aggregating 200,000 pesos were withdrawn. The officials declare the institution to be solvent. The run started when it became known that George I. Ham, the president, had resigned. The depositors were paid as fast as the checks were presented. The National Bank of Mexico and the Bank of Montreal, placed James Forsythe, assistant manager of the Mexican branch of the Montreal, in charge of the United States Banking company. Ham is in a sanitarium suffering from overwork. The bank is capitalized at two million pesos and has deposits amounting to eight million pesos.

BATH BROTHERS HAVE 100 TONS \$40 ORE ON DUMP

MANHATTAN, Jan. 24.—The Bath brothers, who are operating a lease on the Union No. 2 ground owned by the Dexter company, now have 100 tons of ore on the dump which, from careful sampling, shows that it will return a value of around \$40 per ton. The ore is secured from a cross vertical vein. In September the lessees mined 22 tons of ore from this ground that returned a net value of \$73 per ton.

PLACER FIND IN INYO.

Ed Ray, a former resident of Silver City, now located at Lone Pine, Inyo county, Cal., is here on a brief visit. He reports having located nine placer claims in a gorge of the White mountains, 10,000 feet above sea level. Mr. Ray exhibited a phial of coarse gold worth about \$12 obtained from one hundred pans and will install a hydraulic plant on the property the coming spring with a head of 60 inches of water. The gold averages \$19.75 per ounce and the samples shown includes nuggets ranging from \$2 to the size of a bird shot. The gold is in blue gravel with slate bedrock. The find is about twenty-five miles east from the Esmeralda county line. Virginia Chronicle.

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